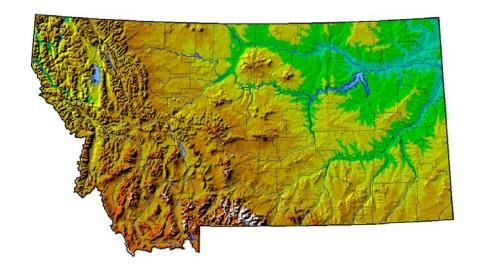
MONTANA



BY THE NUMBERS

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MONTANA BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION

Montana (2005) **935,670** Montana (2000) **902,195**

Density-Persons Per Square Mile (2000) **6.2**Land Area - Square Miles **145,552**Urban (2000) **54.0%** Rural (2000) **46.0%**

Under Age 18 22.5% Age 18 and Over 77.5% Age 65 and Over 13.7% Median Age: 39.5 Male 49.9% Female 50.1%

White 90.9% Black 0.4% Native American/Alaska Native 6.5% Asian 0.6% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander 0.1% Two or More Races 1.5% Hispanic/Latino Origin 2.1%

Total Housing Units 423,262

Total Households (2000) 358,667 Persons Per Household (2000) 2.45

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and Population Estimates

Top Ten Cities, 2004	Estimates	Top Ten Counties , 2	004 Estimates
Billings	96,977	Yellowstone	134,717
Missoula	61,790	Missoula	99,018
Great Falls	56,503	Flathead	81,217
Bozeman	32,414	Cascade	79,849
Butte-Silver Bow*	32,393	Gallatin	75,637
Helena	27,196	Lewis & Clark	57,972
Kalispell	17,381	Ravalli	39,376
Havre	9,460	Silver Bow	33,093
Anaconda-Deer Lodge*	9,088	Lake	27,919
Miles City	8,315	Lincoln	19,101

^{*}Consolidated City/County

Montana Population Projections

2005	2010	2015	2020
933,005	96 <mark>8,59</mark> 8	999,489	$1,0\overline{22,7}35$

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division

EDUCATION

Public School Enrollment	(2004-2005)	Postsecondary Institutions	
Elementary (PreK-8)	98,457	University System Campuses	11
Secondary (9-12)	48,095	Private Colleges	3
State Funded Schools	153	Community Colleges	
TOTAL	146,705	Public	3
		Tribally controlled	7

Public Students Per Square Mile: 1.01

Student/Teacher Ratio (2002-2003)

Montana Average 14.3 S/T

National Average 15.9 S/T

Percent of High School Graduates or Higher (persons 25 years and older),2004 91.9% Percent of Bachelor's Degree or Higher (persons 25 years and older),2004 25.5%

Source: Montana Office of Public Instruction and U.S. Bureau of the Census

ECONOMIC

Total Personal Income, 2004*: \$25,642,844,000 Per Capita Personal Income, 2004*: \$27,666

Median Household Income, 2004^: \$35,201 Average Wage Per Job, 2003⁺: \$26,869

Median Family Income 2000*: \$40,487 Percent of Persons in Poverty, 2004^: 14.3%

Percent of People Without Health Insurance Coverage, 2004 . 17.9%

*Bureau of Economic Analysis *Census 2000 ^3 year average

GROSS STATE PRODUCT (millions of current dollars) **:

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
\$19,844	\$20,420	\$21,367	\$22,636	\$23,913	\$25,584	\$27,701

^{**}Gross State Product: A measurement of a state's output; it is the sum of value added from all industries in the state. NAICS Industry data.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of the Census http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/regional/gsp/ and http://www.census.gov/

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

ANNUAL LABOR FORCE, 2004

Civilian Labor Force 483,043

Employed 461,746

Unemployed 21,297 (4.4%)

Source: Montana Dept. of Labor & Industry/Research and Analysis http://www.ourfactsyourfuture.org

EXPORTS

Total Montana Exports	\$842.7 million
Wheat	\$278.0 million
Industrial Machinery	\$110.3 million
Inorganic Chemicals	\$75.3 million
Paper and paperboard	\$39.0 million
Wood and Wood Products	\$33.4 million
Precious metals	\$10.3 million
Live animals	\$1.5 million

Source: Montana Agricultural Statistics Service and MISER Origin of Movement, 2004 http://www.exportmontana.com/

AGRICULTURE

Land in Farms and Ranches (million acres): 59.6

Number of Farms and Ranches: 28,000 Average size of farm-acres: 2,146

Top 5 Agriculture Commodities (cash receipts - thousand of dollars)

Top 5 Agriculture Exports (millions of dollars)

1. Cattle & calves \$	\$1,104,387	1.	Wheat & wheat products	\$355.0
2. Wheat	\$565 , 647	2.	Feeds and fodders	\$ 24.6
<pre>3. Barley</pre>	\$124,839	3.	Vegetables & Preparations	\$ 15.8
4. Hay	\$86,794	4.	Seeds	\$ 14.6
5. All other Crops	\$78,918	5.	Feed grains & products	\$ 14.1

Source: USDA and 2005 Montana Agricultural Statistics Book, and 2002 Census of Agriculture http://www.nass.usda.gov/mt

BUSINESS

RETAIL SALES

(thousands of dollars)

Total Retail Sales: \$11,886,957

Food & Beverage Stores: \$1,702,037 Food Service & Drinking Establishments: \$1,231,137 General Merchandise: \$1,897,310 Furniture, Electronics, Appliances: \$465,715

Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers: \$2,365,635

Source: 2005 Survey of Buying Power

BUSINESSES (ESTABLISHMENTS) BY EMPLOYMENT-SIZE, 2005*

(Includes Government; Excludes Railroad, Self-employed & Most Agricultural Employment) (Excludes business reporting "0" employment and wages)

Total Number of Businesses With Payroll: 33,955

1 to 4: 18,605 (54.8%) 5 to 9: 6,944 (20.5%) 10 to 19: 4,330 (12.8%)

20 to 49: 2,747 (8.1%) 50+: 1,329 (3.9%)

Source: QCEW, *March 2005, Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau http://www.ourfactsyourfuture.org/

TAXATION

TAX	AMOUNT	RANK
Total State Tax	\$1,625,692,000	46
Total Tax Per Capita	\$1,754	37

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2004 data http://www.census.gov/govs/www/statetax.html

MONTANA'S LARGEST PRIVATE EMPLOYERS*

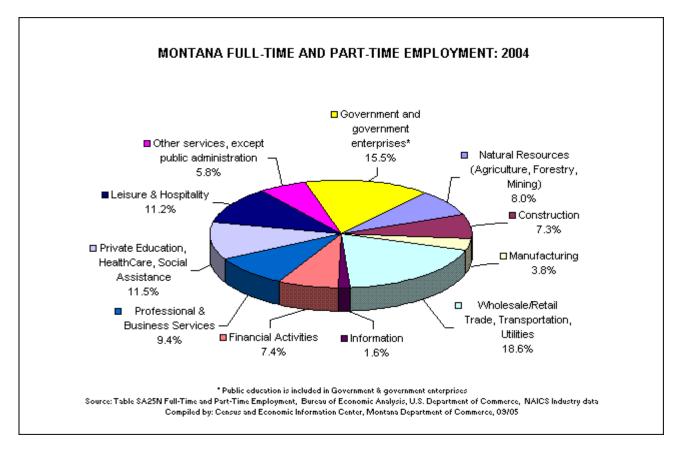
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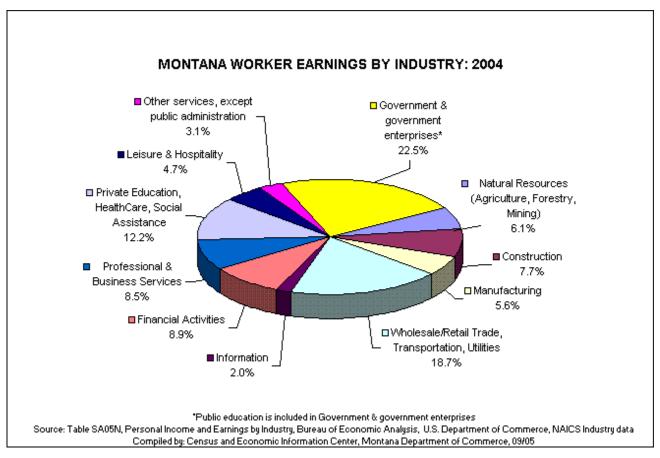
Albertson's	Missoula Community Medical Center		
Benefis Healthcare	Northwestern Energy		
Better Business Systems	St. Patrick Hospital		
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana	St. Vincent Hospital		
Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives	Stillwater Mining Company		
Deaconess Billings Clinic Health System	Target		
Express Personnel Services	Town Pump		
First Interstate Bank	United Parcel Service		
Kalispell Regional Hospital	Wal-Mart		
Lee Enterprises	Wells Fargo		

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau, Third Quarter 2004 Unemployment Insurance Information. http://www.ourfactsyourfuture.org

^{*} This list contains ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads, tribal entities and city, county, state and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.

MAJOR INDUSTRIES





Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2004 Data, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, September 2005 http://www.bea.gov/

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